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This Communication is being submitted in response to the April 7, 2005, Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 CFR 1.121) issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the April 7, 2005 Notice is due on May 7, 2005. Accordingly, this Communication is being timely filed.

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The Notice stated that the Amendment filed on December 30, 2004 did not comply because each claim has not been provided with the proper status identifier, and as such, the individual status of each claim cannot be identified and that claims 13, 14 and 32 status identifiers are incorrect. Attached as Exhibit A is a list of all the claims with the correct status identifiers.

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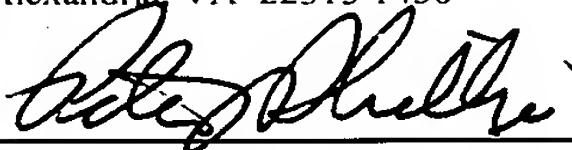
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